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Mr. Duckett, moved to refer said petition to the committee on divorces,

Mr. Heard moved that said petition be laid on the table.

Resolved in the Affirmative,

The clerk of the senate returned the preamble and resolution in relation to the decease of Joseph K. Travers, Esq. a delegate from Dorchester county, endorsed, assented to, ordered to be engrossed,

And, delivered the following message,

By the Senate, May 23rd. 1836.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message informing us that you are ready to proceed with the business of the session, the senate is also ready to enter upon its business, and will sit from nine A. M. to three P. M.

By order,

Jos. H. Nicholson, Cik.

Which was read,

Mr. Heard moved that the house proceed with the or dinary business of the session,

Resolved in the affirmative.

The house then proceeded to consider the bill reported by Mr. Long, entitled, a supplement to the act, entitled, an act relating to constables bonds,

On motion of Mr. Bruff, said bill was ordered to lie on

the table.

The bill reported by Mr. Pratt, chairman of the committee on internal improvement, entitled, an act authorising the treasurer of the Western Shore on behalf of the State, to subscribe for capital stock of the Annapolis and Potomac Canal company,

Was taken up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Brown, said bill was ordered to lie on the table,

The bill reported by Mr. Duckett, chairman of the committee on grievances and courts of justice, entitled, an act relating to slaves, was taken up for consideration,

Mr. Brown moved to refer said bill to the consideration

of the next General Assembly of Maryland,

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Dennis submitted the following message,

By the House of Delegates, May 23d, 1836.

Gentlemen of the Senate, We propose with the concurrence of your honorable